A copy of page 1 showing the foregoing revisions is enclosed.

In the Claims

Cancel, without prejudice, claims 1-5 and 12-17.

Add new claim 21 as follows:

27. The product of the method of claim 6.

REMARKS

A Petition for Extension of Time of two months was filed in connection with a Request for Continued Examination of parent application 09/642,390 filed August 18, 2000, and a copy is enclosed herewith. In addition, a copy of a Supplemental Declaration filed in the same parent application is enclosed herewith

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